

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
FOOD PROCESSING INDUSTRIES
LOK SABHA**

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:69

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PROMOTION OF FPI WITH EXTERNAL FUNDS

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Will the Minister of FOOD PROCESSING INDUSTRIES be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government propose to promote Food Processing units in the country with external funding;
- (b) if so, the details of the proposal mooted in that regard; and
- (c) the response of the external financial institutions thereto?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF FOOD PROCESSING INDUSTRIES (SHRI N.T. SHANMUGAM)

(a) to (c): Ministry does not set up food processing units of its own. In order to facilitate foreign direct investment in food processing units, the same has been placed under automatic route except for alcoholic beverages and items reserved for small scale sector.

No proposal for funding from external financial institutions have been received.